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Filmmaker Spike Lee spoke at Valparaiso University on Wednesday, Feb. 3. Lee talked about growing up in Brooklyn in honor of Black History Month.

Director Spike Lee speaks at Valparaiso

KIM KINTZ
News Editor

After using up four years of electives in only two years at Morehouse College in Atlanta, Ga., director Spike Lee had to decide on a major, and quick.

He decided on mass communications, received his bachelor's degree, and decided on pursuing a master's in film-making at NYU. The rest is history.

Lee spoke Wednesday, Feb. 3 at Valparaiso University in the Chapel of Ressurection, which was crowded with students, future filmmakers, and fans. It was all part of a celebration of Black History Month.

Although Lee chose his path wisely, and his thesis film at NYU, "Joe's Bed-Stuy Barber Shop: We Cut Heads" won an award and helped him find an agent, success was not right around the corner. It took four more years of hard work, and eating many cans of Spaghetti-0s after graduation before Spike's first successful feature film, "She's Gotta Have It," was finished.

"You have to crawl before you walk, because there is no such thing as an overnight success," Lee said.

He also talked about growing up in Brooklyn and "at the vast richness of African American culture I saw everyday on the streets, but not on television and especially not in the movies."

Lee said that even today, there's a lack of positive black role models on television. He said sitcoms such as "The PJs" make light of African Americans

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PUC Black History Events

Friday, Feb. 12 -- "Lift Every Voice and Sing," a cultural awareness play
Saturday, Feb. 20 -- "Nia Bowl: A Celebration of African American Life, History and Culture," an academic competition
Through Wednesday, Feb. 24 -- "Alex Haley: An American Griot," an exhibit in the Library Art Gallery
Friday, Feb. 26 -- "Soulful Revue: Bluelights in the Basement," dinner and dance
Call 989-2779 for more information.

Job Shadowing Day brings high school students to campus offices

KIM KINTZ
News Editor

There were a few younger students in the hallways on Tuesday, Feb. 2.

High school students from 10 area schools visited the PUC campus as part of National Job Shadowing Day.

The day gives high school students a chance to experience the careers in which they are interested. Several area businesses and more than 40 high school students participated in the event.

Students choose ahead of time the areas they were most interested in, and were placed accordingly.

Melissa Kelsey, a senior from Merrillville High School, got to work with the CAD computers during her visit.

"I plan to go into industrial technology and this helps me see what's out there," she said.

David McLees, CAD coordinator for the METS department who taught the high school students interested in drafting said Job Shadowing Day is a great opportunity for high school students.

"Its always fun showing students computer stuff. I would be glad to do this next year," he said.

The Information Systems and Computer Programming department; Business Administration; School of Technologies; University Resource Center; Computing, Technology, and Information Services; School of Nursing; Manufacturing Engineering Technologies; and Supervision participated in this event at PUC.

Cathy Ferguson, manufacturing specialist, coordinated the event. Ferguson said this is an important event that should be carried on all year round, not just on one day.

"This helps them better choose

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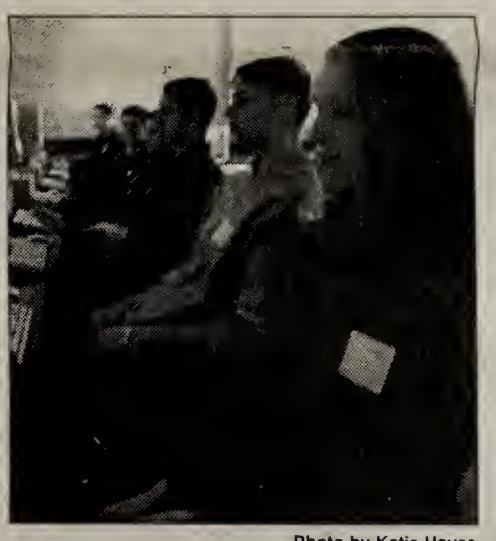

Photo by Katie Hayes

High school students visited campus for Job Shadowing Day. Ten area high schools participated.

Student Government reconsiders funds

SONYA GIBSON
Staff Writer

Los Latinos members will receive around $1,000 in funds for a leadership conference, even after Student Government denied that request last fall.

The group, under the name Alliance for Latino Student Organizations, requested money from SGA last semester to help send them to the Hispanic Leadership Conference, but were denied funds due to a late proposal for the money.

President Amy Croston called a special meeting in December about the use of funds.

It is SGA policy that any organization requesting funds for these purposes must do so one month prior to the date money is needed. They also must be an official organization at the university. ALSO failed to get the paperwork in on time and were not a recognized organization of the university, said Student Government President Amy Croston.

SGA controls the money for these leadership funds and, therefore, is the deciding factor on the matter. They match the amount of money an organization raises. up to $1000. ALSO members were upset at not being able to attend the conference due to money difficulties, said Michelle Verduzco, director of student activities.

Members of Los Latinos were unavailable for comment.

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20-year-old female student collapses near Porter Hall

MARTI TRGOVICH
Managing Editor

A 20-year-old female student collapsed on the sidewalk between the Gyte and Porter buildings last Monday around 9:50 a.m.

As of Thursday morning, the woman was still hospitalized at St. Margaret's Medical Center. The hospital could release no information on her condition.

University Police Chief Stephen Chaddock said he could not release any information about the reason for the student's collapse.

However, a PUC police report from that week said that university police officers found a "victim in full cardiac arrest and performed CPR" at the same time and location.

The Hammond Fire Department and paramedics were immediately called to the scene.

"I don't have a definite explanation as to why she collapsed," Wes Lukoshus, director of university relations, said.

Apparently, the woman was walking to or from a class with a male friend, Lukoshus said.

Upon collapsing, several people crowded around the woman to help her.

"I assumed it was like an epilepsy thing," student Daren Samplawski, who witnessed the student's collapse, said.

"There were tons of people around her. It looked like people had it under control."

Information packets for this year's Sigrid Stark writing contest will be available Feb. 11 in CLO-217.

ADMINISTRATION UPDATE

Frequently asked questions about financial aid (Part 1 of 2)

It is that time of year for students to begin making plans for the 1999-2000 academic year. These plans should include completing the Free Application for Federal Student Aid, commonly referred to as the FAFSA, by March 1.

The FAFSA is the financial aid application students must complete and submit to the Department of Education by March 1 to qualify for the many federal, state, and Purdue Calumet financial aid programs available for the 1999-2000 academic year.

Indiana students will receive priority consideration for state aid only if their FAFSA is postmarked by March 1.

This two-part article focuses on 10 questions about financial aid most frequently directed to our Financial Aid staff by our students. The answers also are provided.

Five questions and answers will be addressed in this article. The remaining five will be covered in next week's issue.

Q: *When should I apply for financial aid?*

A: It is recommended that students complete their Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) between January 1st and March 1st for the 1999-2000 academic year.

Q: *What types of financial aid am I eligible for by submitting the FAFSA by March 1st?*

A: All forms of federal aid including Pell Grants, Supplemental Educational Opportunity Grants (SEOG), Perkins Loans, Stafford Loans, Federal Work Study and Indiana state aid (for Indiana applicants), which includes the Higher Education Award, Twenty-First Century Scholars and consideration for various Purdue Calumet scholarships.

Q: *What is the difference among grants, scholarships, loans and work-study?*

A: *Grants and scholarships are "gift" aid, meaning they do* not have to be repaid. Grants are based on financial need. Scholarships may be based on financial need, but also may be awarded based on such other criteria such as merit. Loans and work-study are a form of "self-help" aid. Loans require repayment. Through federally supported work-study, a student receives aid by earning money from a part-time, on or off campus work-study job.

Q: *What is the difference between a subsidized Stafford loan and an unsubsidized Stafford loan?*

A: With a subsidized loan, the federal government pays the interest while the student is enrolled. With an unsubsidized loan, the student is responsible for the interest that accrues on the loan beginning the day the loan is disbursed. Interest on an unsubsidized loan can be repaid while the student is in school, or it can be added (capitalized) to the principal.

Q: *What happens after I complete and submit my FAFSA either electronically or by mail?*

A: Within three to four weeks after mailing the FAFSA, our Office of Financial Aid will receive your results from the U.S. Department of Education. Please respond promptly to any requests from our office for documents such as Federal Tax Returns and benefit statements. These are needed to verify that your financial information is correct. Once your information is verified as accurate, our office will develop a "financial aid package," combining funds from various sources to help meet your financial need. An award letter then will be mailed to you indicating the types and amounts of financial aid in your "package." You also will be sent an acceptance form to complete and return to our office. Please indicate on this form which financial aid you wish to accept or decline.

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Please feel free to contact our Office of Financial Aid concerning the financial aid process by:

- accessing our web site at http://esc.calumet.purdue.edu/finaid
- e-mailing us at finaid@calumet.purdue.edu
- phoning us at 219/989-2301 (ext. 2301 from campus phones)
- visiting our office at the Enrollment Services Center (LAWS-130) or in the SFLC concourse (outside the bookstore) weekdays this week from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. and 5 p.m. to 6:30 p.m., Tuesday and Wednesday (2/ 9-10).

At a glance

around campus

Internet and e-mail classes

The Hammond Public Library is sponsoring free classes on the use of the Internet and of e-mail starting at 1:00 p.m. Tuesday, Feb. 9, and Tuesday, Feb. 16, at the Hayward Branch at 1212 172nd St. in Hammond. Classes are open to the public. No registration is required. Call John Strott at 852-2262.

Criminal Justice club seeks new staff members

Anyone interested in learning about criminal justice issues, attending a mock trial, or touring a prison can join by contacting James Ghrist at 793-8258 or Maria Navarro 791-6982.

Homecoming king, queen voting to take place

Voting for the 1999 Homecoming king and queen will take place from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. and from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 10, and Thursday, Feb. 11, in the concourse of the SFLC building. The king and the queen will be crowned at the homecoming dance in Alumni Hall after the basketball game Saturday, Feb. 13. Responsibilities include: participation in 1999 Homecoming events and Annual Student Awards Banquet.

French-style dinner in the Region Room

The RHIT 492 class will prepare and serve a French-style dinner at 5:30 and also at 6:45 Wednesday, Feb. 24, in the Region Room, located in the cafeteria. Call Diana Racenia at (219) 989-2319 between 8 a.m. and 9 a.m. Friday, Feb. 12, to make reservations and to select an entree. The price is $13.50 including tax.

The Student Programming Board presents Homecoming

The 1999 Homecoming Dance will take place immediately after the basketball game Saturday, Feb. 13, in Alumni Hall. Call 989-2369 for more information.

Valentine's dinner and dance announced

The Sueños Divinos Car Club and the IUN ALMA Latino Student Organization will hold their "From the Heart" Valentine's dinner and dance formal Saturday, Feb. 13, at St. Stanislaus Hall in East Chicago. The dinner starts at 7:00, the dance at 8:30. Tickets are $12 for the dinner and the dance, or $8 for the dance only. Tickets for the dance must be purchased by Feb. 6. Call Dr. Raoul Contreras at 980-6665 or Umberto at 736-7651.

Chocolate tasting

The Times and Pinnacle Bank will sponsor the Taste of Chocolate '99, which offers chocolate delights from Northwest Indiana restaurants, confectioners and caterers to attendees. A baking contest, open to the public and judged by food columnists Linda and Colleen Summers of The Times and others, will determine the best chocolate cake, cookie, pie, candy and dessert entries. The fundraiser benefits The Caring Place, which provides services and shelter for victims of domestic violence or sexual abuse. The event will be held from 2-4 p.m. Sunday, March 21, at the WaterBird Lakeside Banquet Center in Chesterton. Tickets are $12 in advance or $15 at the door and may be purchased at The Caring Place, 511 Randle St. in Valparaiso. Call Charlotte Conjelko at (219) 464-0840.

Recycle household batteries

The Lake Michigan District Recycling Program has donated two recycling bins for household batteries. One bin is located in the atrium at the southeast entrance of the Gyte building. Please bring in your old household batteries (AAA, AA, C, D, and 9V) for recycling.

Psi Chi meeting convenes Fridays

Psi Chi, the national honor society of psychology, and the Psychology Club will hold meetings every second Friday of the month in SFLC-321 at 4 p.m. Special events will be advertised on bulletins throughout the campus. New members are welcome. For more information, call Dr. Anne Edwards at 989-2863 or Becky Erenberg at 845-5573.

Learn Spanish in Spain

The Department of Foreign Languages and Literatures is taking applications for the study abroad program in Universidad de Extremadura en Caceres, Spain. Contact the department in CLO-313 for more information.

Quote of the week

'Be quiet, Brain, or I'll stab you with a Q-tip.'

-Homer Simpson talking to his brain

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Study abroad program sends students to Oxford

RICK PEREGOY
Staff Writer

Thomas Roach wants students to experience England, if that's their cup of tea.

That's because the PUC professor of communications will be teaching a course at Oxford University this summer. Students can now register for the annual program to Oxford, July 3 to Aug. 8.

The application deadline is March 1. The program is open to students of any major who maintain a GPA of 2.5 or better.

Students who register will have two courses taught by a combination of Purdue and Oxford faculty members. Roach will teach Introduction to Public Relations.

In all, eight subjects will be offered including: Shakespeare, classic mythology, philosophy of religion, language and humor, corporate finance and corporate government, a history of the British empire and commonwealth, and public relations.

"Its a great deal of fun," Roach said.

"I've been to Oxford twice as a student, but haven't been back there since 1976."

Study Abroad
The application deadline is March 1. The program is open to students of any major who maintain a GPA of 2.5 or better.

Some activities, outside of the courses, may be trips to the Royal Shakespeare Company, punting — which is pushing a gondola type vessel down a tributary of the infamous Thames river — and trips to Bath, Stonehenge and the Warwick castle.

"We also spent some evenings at Oxford's on campus pub (when I was there)," Roach said.

There are a total of six academic credit hours that transfer directly as PUC credits. The prices vary from $3723.00 for in-state students, and $5778.00 for out-of-state students.

Additional cost estimates such as airfare, books, additional meals and personal expenses can be paid directly to the provider or from financial aid.

For more information contact: phone 765-494-2383 or www.ippu.purdue.edu/sa, or e-mail studyabroad@ippu.purdue.edu.

Even while attending Oxford, students are enrolled as Purdue students and are eligible for financial aid or scholarships that may be applied to program fees.

Early application for awards and grants for the study abroad program are encouraged. Inquiries should be made to the financial aid office.

See the student information center or professor Gideon Falk at Lawshe 218-D for an application.

Monday, Jan. 25, 9:45 p.m. Fitness Center staff reported a male subject provoking and acting aggressively towards other members while in the workout area. PUC officers escorted subject off campus after his membership was revoked.

Thursday, Jan. 28, 4:45 p.m. A student reported that his vehicle began smoking under the hood as he pulled into the P-13 parking lot west of the PER building. Vehicle burned until HFD arrived to put the fire out. Vehicle towed for safe keeping.

Thursday, Jan. 28, 2:30 p.m. A student reported the theft of a text book from the bookdrop in the book store.

Friday, Jan. 29, 2:35 p.m. A staff member reported cutting his left middle finger while performing assigned work in the CLO building.

Monday, Feb. 1, 9:50 a.m. A 2911 emergency call reported that a student passed out outside the west entrance to Porter Hall. PUC police found the victim in full cardiac arrest and performed CPR until HFD ambulance arrived on scene. Victim transported to a hospital by ambulance.

Monday, Feb. 1, 10:05 a.m. A PUC police officer was injured when her right knee was accidentally struck by a HFD firefighter who was rushing to the aid of a victim west of Porter Hall.

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Full Fitness Week promotes student use of fitness center

KATIE HAYES
Photographer

With all of the hard work and stress that comes along with the beginning of a new semester, sometimes people forget about the very thing that gets them through each day — their bodies.

This week the Total Fitness Center is kicking off Full Fitness Week. "The purpose of this week is to make students aware that there is a fitness center," said Tina Schmidt, director of the Total Fitness Center, who was in charge of organizing Wellness Week.

The cost for a student to join the fitness center is $10.50 a semester for undergraduates, and $36.00 for graduates. That's only a fraction of the cost students you pay at another fitness center, Schmidt said.

The PUC fitness center has endless activities for students, Schmidt said, including weight training, basketball, racquetball, indoor track, and aerobics classes. It offers those interested in getting in shape a certified staff with much experience in the health and fitness industry, she added.The fitness center is open Monday through Thursday from 5:30 a.m. to 10:00 p.m., Friday from 5:30 a.m. to 8:00 p.m., Saturday from 7:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m., and Sunday from 11:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Photo by Katie Hayes

Tina Schmidt and Matt Dudzik promote fitness in the SFLC lobby.

Full Fitness Week began on the main floor of SFLC with an aerobic demonstration by Tina Schmidt and Matt Dudzik, also employed at the fitness center.

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courses in high school to determine their major and whether to continue on in school or the workforce," she said.

The departments participating in this event tripled in size from last year. Ferguson hopes to add more next year. Departments or professors looking to mentor high school students or volunteer their time as speakers in their field can contact Ferguson at 989-2142.

Los Latinos

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Verduzco said that ALSO is a group of many different Latino organizations on campus. They are each separate, yet find it easier to call a group meeting under the name ALSO. A mistake was made on the proposal form, and this was the name given. As a result, thedid not get the money.

"No one ever tried to say it was an organization...it was a lack of communication," Verduzco said.

"There are legal implications for that," said Student Government's vice-president of legislation Bruce Kimbrell.

Some members of the SGA felt the group should get reimbursed.. Croston called a meeting. These members voted with a 3-2 decision. They requested a resubmission of the proposal on behalf of members of the Latino organizations, along with verification that they were legitimate members. She said that the publicity from the ordeal has helped other organizations realize that there is money available to them, and requests have increased due to that. This reconsideration was a one-time deal, according to SGA officials. The Latino organizations are now waiting for everything to go through the proper channels.

Lee

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living in the projects.

"(Its my goal) to build a body of work that reflects different aspects of African American culture in this country," he said.

He added that TV networks and Hollywood look at African Americans as "one monotyped group."

Lee said its up to the people to write to the networks and voice their concern about these stereotypes.

"(African Americans) are just as diverse as everyone else," he said.

In a question and answer session at the end of Lee's talk, he discussed rumors about future plans to make a film about Jackie Robinson, the first African American to play for the Brooklyn Dodgers, with the possibility of Denzel Washington playing the lead.

A teacher asked Lee if he could give advice to the children of today.

Lee said, "It used to be that we looked up to smart people and athletes. Now if you speak well and get good grades you're a white boy or a sell-out. If your drinking your 40-ounce, ditching school, standing on the street corner, you're keepin' it real.

"This foolishlessness is crazy. Young people can't succumb to that peer pressure, it's a trap."

Some attendants expected him to be a little more controversial. Jim Guist, a freshman at Valparaiso, said, "He talked a little too much about films, I would've liked to see him focus more on blacks and whites in society."

However, most were impressed by his speech. Keith Ransfer, a filmmaker from Chicago, said, "It was pretty much what I thought it would be, I was excited to see him in person."

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Nursing facility needed on campus

After a recent incident on campus in which a girl collapsed from cardiac arrest, the question has been raised as to whether or not our lack of medical facilities on campus is important.

Granted, we do not have the capacity to treat something as serious as this case, but some type of a nursing facility would be a wise addition to the university.

Currently, PUC offers nothing in the way of medical care. Both the police station and the information booth in SFLC carry band-aids in case of minor cuts, but that is the extent of our medical aid. What our campus needs is a facility comparable to a high school nurses station where there is a trained medical professional to administer minor medical attention and the ability to take care of a crisis situation should need be.

In the case of the cardiac arrest, luckily emergency services were able to get here quickly enough to handle the situation, but with a trained nurse on site our campus would feel that much more safe knowing that there is a person with medical training available if need be. Ideally this nurse would be trained to handle a crisis situation so that they could help our police officers, who are currently the ones responsible for calling emergency assistance. A nurse would be more knowledgable about what the problem is and what attention is needed when the ambulance arrives.

Also, the students here do not have dorm rooms like college students at larger universities. Having a small nursing station on campus would allow students who fall sick while at school a chance to rest until they are well-enough to drive themselves home or have someone pick them up. At a larger university, an ill student could walk across campus to their dorm room, but some of our students may have to drive for an hour before they are home. The only place available for students to relax is in SFLC-100 which is usually crowded and noisy.

Another advantage to having this type of facility is to allow students suffering from a headache or other minor ailment to get an asprin. Or if a student is injured, they could not only get a band-aid, but some type of antibiotic as well.

If it was possible, we could also use this program as an internship for the nursing students on campus. We have one of the best nursing programs in the state, yet our campus does not even have a nurse available for our own students.

Of course there are downfalls to having this luxury. The university may be afraid to install something like this because of the liabilities involved, as well as the costs. How would PUC pay for something like this? To solve the issue of cost, students pays a student service fee each semester. This would be a wise place to invest some of this mandatory fee that each of us pays.

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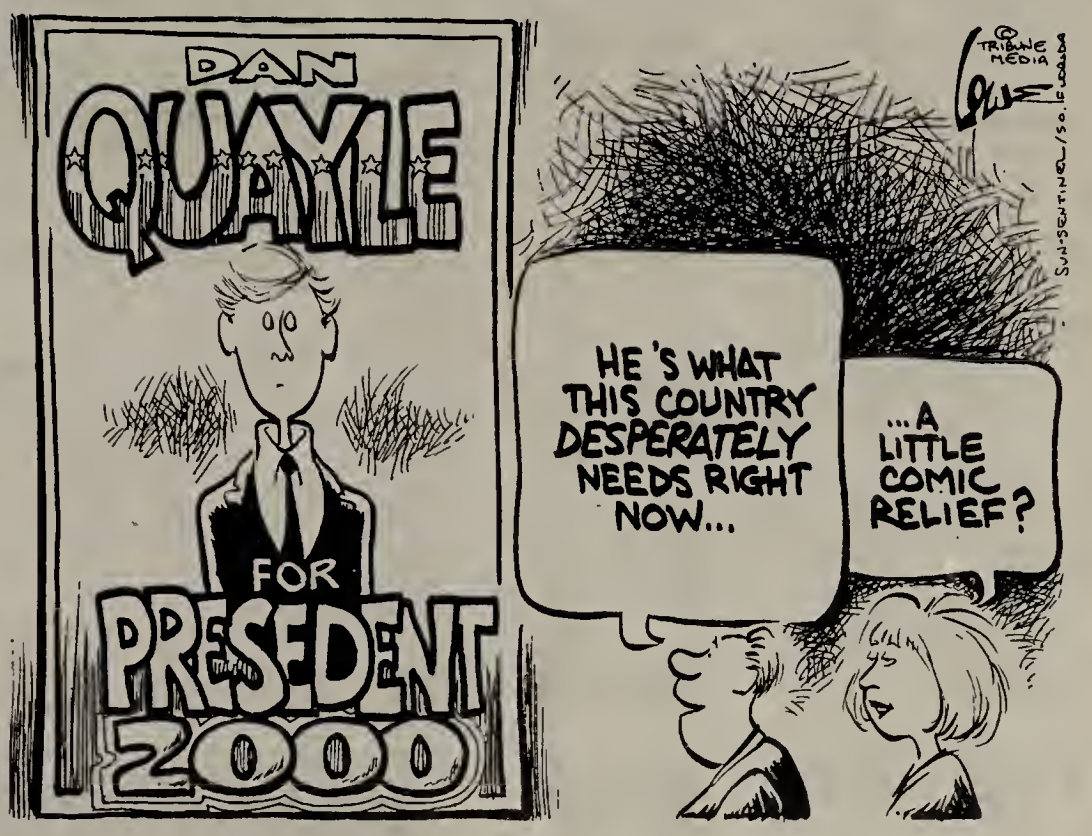


Americans take freedom for granted

MARTI TRGOVICH
Commentary

Last week, an ethnic Albania man and woman were shot about 300 times, and killed, possibly by Serbian militants near Kosovo. They were not killed because they had done something wrong; in fact, they were on a midnight search to find food for their starving children.

As Americans, many of us tend to ignore these depictions of the news, which are usually stuck somewhere in the back of our local newspapers. Mention the name of Yugoslav president Slobodan Milosevic to many college students and you could get a blank stare.

So at what cost are we choosing to turn our heads?

We ignore the problems of the world because we have more pressing issues in our daily lives. What will I make the kids for lunch today? Will my report be finished on time? How should I prepare my presentation for the staff meeting this afternoon?

And maybe it's not so terrible to be so concerned with our own lives. If we weren't, we'd be bound to fail at them. What's terrible is when we, as Americans, complain about the little things, or take for granted things that other people would cherish. By seeing what is happening to less unfortunate people in other parts of the world, we should have a renewed appreciation for our lives.

The cliched appreciation of freedom is only the beginning of what most of us are missing. Those of us who have studied Hitler's holocaust, or even discovered the holocaust in popular culture such as "Schindler's List," would believe that civilization in 1999 would never let such slaughter occur in today's society. But the truth is, a holocaust is happening in Kosovo as you read this.

Ethnic Albanians are being slaughtered every day because they are not the same religion or nationality of the Serbian-run land they inhabit, despite the fact that they make up 90 percent of the population.

And that's not the only place. In Baghdad, Iraqis are even hesitant to talk casually to reporters on the streets, as they're afraid for their lives if they speak negatively of their leader, Saddam Hussein, or of his country. How can we take for granted what we have when we at least have a basic sense of freedom?

So last Thanksgiving when I saw an episode of "Ally McBeal" where the title character (complete with plush apartment and flannel pajamas) was whining that she didn't have anything to be thankful for because she didn't have a boyfriend, of course I was annoyed. And I flipped the channel.

So when you're complaining that you don't have a date on Valentine's Day, or you can't afford the CD you want, stop to think how meaningless all those things really are..

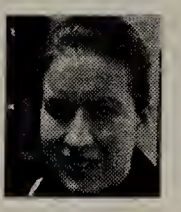
A lack of gratitude for what we have is an egocentric way to view our lives. As ridiculous and silly and obvious as it sounds, we should be thankful that we have considerable freedom, food and shelter. There are places in the world where people would, and do, kill for those three things.

The People speak

Question of Week: What are your plans for Valentine's Day?

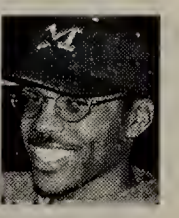
by Amarachi Igboegwu
Features Editor

"I'll spend quality time with my friends and family."



Leslie Kiser
Undecided, junior
"I am planning to spend Valentine's Day with one of my closest friends from college. We are going to Chicago."

William C. Wilson
Chemistry, sophomore
"I don't celebrate Valentine's Day. However, if any girls want to reach me, my number is 987-9878."

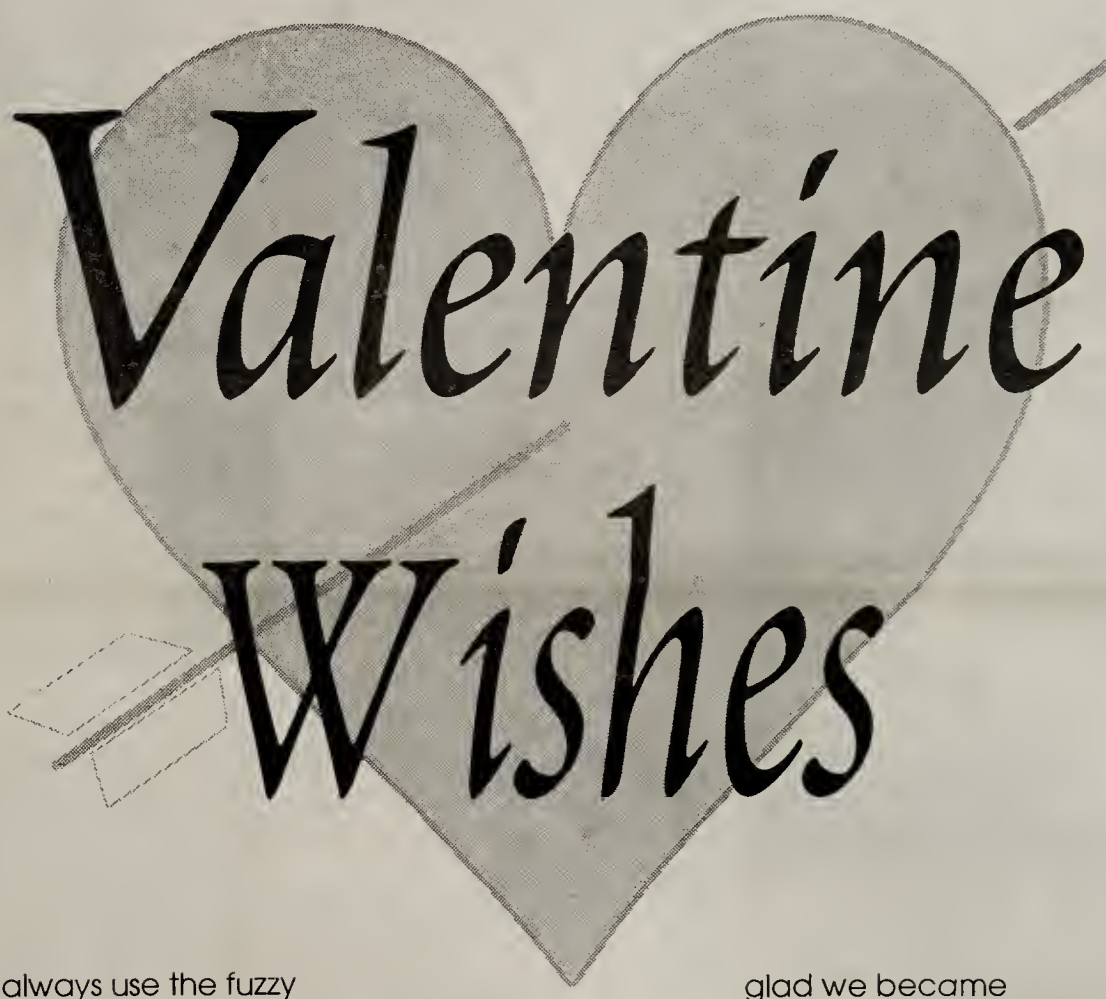


Benjamin Mann
Engineering, freshman
"On Valentine's Day, this year, I plan on hiring some nude models, then I will paint them. Not their pictures, but them!"

Christina J. Coleman
RHIT, Sophomore
"I will be spending Valentine's with my friends and family"

Dano Fores
EET, Sophomore
"I'm not sure what I'm going to be doing, but I'm sure whomever I spend it with will be special."

Valentine's Special



To: Leesa, "I love you." from Derris

To: Todd S. "Love you always. I can't wait unitl we are married." From Kimberly E.

To: Kelly. "You put the cream in my corn. Show you right." From The Candy Man

To: Tammi "You complete me!" From Danny

To: Kevin "I hope that this great day is better than last year. I love ya!" From Beth

To: Marti "Helloooo.... Marti you are my biggest sweetheart! Love ya" From Kimmie

To: Sugar "Thanks for being my special intern. Its ridiculous how sweet you are Love you, Honey

To: Tony S. "I don't know what I'd do without my sensitive pimp! Love ya!" From Honey

To: Stioux "Meet me at the water fountain three weeks from now at promptly 3pm!!!" Love much" From Your faithful follower.

To: Kati "What would I do without you borrowing all my cigarettes! Love you lots" From Kimi

To: Lauren "Hallo?! Happy Valentine's my sweetie! I wish we could terrorize more classrooms together! I love you." Kimmie

To: Heather "You're sexy and can you bowl!! Love you sweetie" From Kimmie

To: Bomboncito " Te amo bebe. Nos verenios pronto Muuaa." From Gatita

George – You are the French Calvinist. I Love You, Love Lauren

To: Greggle "You make me want to wet myself" From Lulu

To: Joani "You're a sweetie and I love how you make me laugh!" from Kimi

To: Lauren"Best of all to you honey except me. xoxo" from Greggle

To Namon"we will always use the fuzzy head. Tuff man skippy. Love ya" from Bubbles

To Kelly "I hope this day is memorable for you and my brother. Don't do anything I wouldn't do!" from your little sister in law

To Marti, Kim, and Kelly, " You guys are the best sister I could ever ask for! from little sis

To Stioux "Thank you for being the only one that likes my music." From Katie

To Joan "Good luck with the man! Glad we've been friends for so long." Katie

To Jay "So, when is the wedding ? from you know who

To J.B "You're the greatest." Lady Lakers Basketball Team

To JB "You are my best friend. Stay sweet." From Cathy

To RF "Hi, I just wrote to say what's up." From JA

To Fuzz "Fuzz, Tuff skip smooth."from Bubbles

To CB "Thanks for making me smile." Me

To Mike "We'll do the bookstore run again!"

To Fred "Happy Valentine's Day! Thanks for 37 of them. Can't wait for 37 more." Julie

To Heather "I love you."Christophoff

To John "Sweetie, I am so glad your back in town. I mised you so much and dancing with you. Call me so we can go dancing. Happy Valentine's Day!! From Jenny

To Pookie Bear "Soon enough you will own my heart for eternity." Form Aaron

To Heather and Katie " To the most beautiful girls I just met. Happy Valentine's Day" from Tim

To Mike Sutherland "You are like a big squishy teddy bear!"

To Dao Nguyen "Sorry about the broken furniture and the sprained ankle. I had fun from Victorino A

To Jennifer " Love You" Haey

To Brandon "I'm so glad we became friends. I hope we can be friends forever. You mena a lot to me."Catherine

To Joe "I'm so happy with you. You are not only my boyfriend, you are also my best friend. I have spending time with you! Happy Valentine's Day!" from Missy

To Kim K. Maybe some day you'll notice me, but until then I'll wait...your secret admirer

To Dennis and Lisa Patterson " I want to wish the two of you good luck now and in the future to come."from Jeff Stojakovich

To David A'koba"My Darling, I love you more and more everyday. Thoughts of you bring dancing smiles on my lips. Your are the butter in my bread, the sugar in my tea and the wine in my glass. May our third Valentine's Day even be more explosive than the last. All my love" From Gabrielle Asprilla

To Corey Ronger "This was a really easy and cheap method of saying hi and happy Valentine's Day. Hope you have a groovy one this year. (Maybe John Paul or your Martin Gore Fantasia) From Amy Aurelio

To: Kathleen Fejes, "I love you, Happy Valentine's Day." John Fejes

To: Dennis, "I love you" Lisa

To: Brandi-Helene, "I don't know you Brandi, but when I see you walking by each day. My heart melts. Well you be my Valentine's because I couldn't live without you." Bruce

To: Bruce "I love you more than any blonde ever could." Anonymous

To: Brian "Although it's generally a lot of B.S, happy Valentine's Day anyway." Me

To: The Distingushed Gentlemen of Sigma Lambda Beta "Happy Valentine's Day to all my brothers. May you enjoy your right out with the class. Brothers 4 life."Davin

To: All my employees "Get yo' ass out the streets and make me some money damn it!" Sugar Daddy

To: Bill " I love you" Ariel

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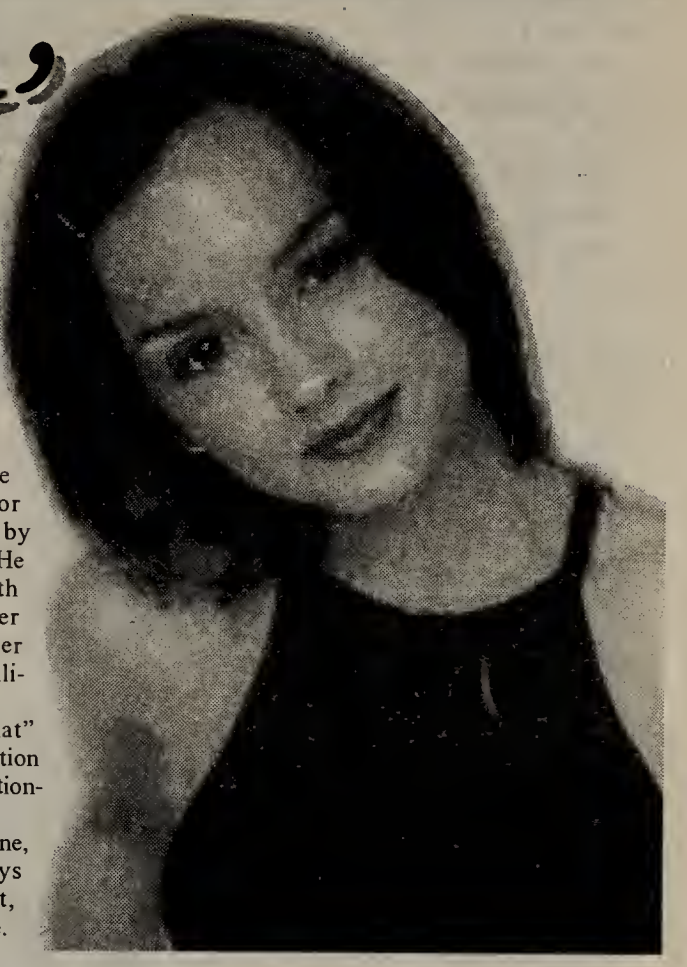
"She's All That"

just as she is, but film fails to make confident statement



MARTI TRGOVICH
Managing Editor

Talk about a feminist's nightmare.

No, it's not an Andrew Dice Clay movie, but possibly something worse.

Like all those Disney movies you saw as a child, where the perfectly normal girl wasn't accepted by men and happy with herself until she turned into the unrealistic princess, the film "She's All That" operates on the same basis.

It centers around a lonely, artistic high school student, Laney, played by Rachael Leigh Cook. The creators of this film would have you believe that she's an ugly duckling.

Really, she's just more of a rag doll, wearing free flowing hippie clothes, dark glasses and bulky tennis shoes. Her dark hair is long and messy, usually pulled back in a pony tail.

She's not ugly at all, she just has more important things on her mind than staring in a mirror for hours a day.

Enter Zack (I Still Know What You Did Last Summer's Freddie Prinze Jr.), the most popular guy in high school who could date anyone he wanted. His girlfriend, Taylor, dumps him after returning from spring break in Florida, where she'd met and started dating Brock Hudson, who was a star on MTV's "The Real World." Brock is supposed to be the fictional equivalent of the real "Real World"'s Puck. Taylor, decked out in a fuschia mini skirt and pale pink halter top, explains to Zack that Brock is her new fling.

So when Zack decides that he needs a new date for the upcoming prom pronto, his best friend makes him a bet. The best friend chooses a girl, and Zack has five weeks to turn her into the prom queen.

Freddie Prinze Jr. and newcomer, Rachael Leigh Cook star in "She's All That".

Not only does the film take a "Pygmalian" stance, a la "My Fair Lady," but the plot is borrowed, whether intentionally or not, from the excellent John Hughes '80s movie "Pretty in Pink," starring Molly Ringwald (as Andi) and Andrew McCarthy (as Clay). That film succeeded in its plot. Ringwald's character didn't change herself, physically or mentally, to be loved by McCarthy's character. He simply fell in love with the way she was – her homemade clothes, her eccentricities, her intelligence.

But "She's All That" requires the transformation of Laney into a conventional female.

In an art gallery scene, the film even portrays Laney's main interest, art, as something bizarre. God forbid that a female should be interested in something other than clothes, hair and dating.

The film tries to pass off Laney's new look as more than a makeover. They attempt to make us believe that her new look is changing her outlook on life, opening her up to more people. That's just ludicrous, unless you actually do need a new Gap dress and red platforms to see the world in a more positive light.

Movie	"She's All That"
Actors	Freddie Prinze Jr., Rachael Leigh Cook
Rating	2 of 10

The film even has "Pretty in Pink"'s equivalent of Ducky – a kooky male character (Kieran Culkin) who serves as Laney's best friend and confidante. Taylor is pretty much the same rich snob one sees prancing around at the parties in "Pretty in Pink," even if her character is a bit more-laughable.

And, you guessed it, although Laney and Zack don't go to the prom together, they end up together after the dance, just like Andi and Clay.

"She's All That" is too similar, in theory at least, to all those cheesy '80s teen movies.

It's understandable that someone decided to make another "Some Kind of Wonderful" or "Sixteen Candles" for this generation of teen-agers, too.

But the film "She's All That" only reinforces society's unrealistic expectations that women should attempt perfection, and they won't be accepted until they do.

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Valentine Wishes continued . . .

To: Stioux "Don't worry I'll never tell Chris how your pants ended up in my car. Happy Valentine's Day! Luv ya. Heather

Lauren: "Thanks for putting up with my wierdness. I luv ya! Heather

To: Grregg "Nice pants Happy Valentine's Day!!!" Heather

To: Kelly "This will be the first thing you get from me on time I'm kidding -I love you!" Heather

To Kim: "You have become the biggest party-girl you twenty-three year old! I'm proud of you, I love you, Heather.

To:JB "No, I'm sorry I won't runwaway with you. Chris will be upset but I'm glad you signed up for the same English class. Luv ya." Heather

To: Santucci, the pimp and Jimroy "You are both my special little guys." Sweet N low.

To: Tommy "Happy Valentine's Day. If I was blonde, would you love me too. Ha ha" Amy

To: Lauren "Happy Valentine's Day someday....!? You'll come to your senses.

To: Stioux "I'm looking forward to our 40th birthdays. I'll forever worship your kingdom" Marti

To: Marti "You are like a moon goddess floating in the midnight sky." Your secret admirer

To: Shelly Beans "Happy Valentine's Day. You are the cream in my coffee, and the crunchy frog in my streudel." Yum Yum

To: Kelly " Stay away- you're weird .The Dr. Jellyfinger thing, it is true!!!" Sean

To: Kele " I'd say to the one I love, but you'd think I 've been up to something." Gregg

To: The Stew Guy "Your are my Valentines! I love you" Mom

To: All PUC Male Models " We have a minolta with a 210 mm lens waiting for you." All Chronicle Women

To: Mom " Thanks for making me lunch every day." David

To: Ekeoma "Hi, I hope you have a wonderful Val-Day" Rapheal

To: Popo "Bawoni, have a wonderful Valentine's Day!" Gabrielle

Easy, Horny, and Sleazy - The four of us make a great team! Happy Valentine's Day! Love, Cheap

Candy Man - I will miss working for you. Nobody compares to the sensitive pimp, not even the guy who is making me quit :) Even though I won't be your employee anymore, will you still be my trainer for this year's creamed corn tournament? Love, Sugar

To my Kindred Spirit - You are the Captain of my life, and the Chief of my existence. I will see you in the Kingdom of Stioux! Until then, we will shop at Target and have long talks every time one of us is being a jerk. You are my best adviser. Every time I have a problem, I think WWSD? Love always, that Kelly girl.

To the Chronicle Editorial Board - Since I won't be around to remind you, remember that the squirrels are watching. - Kelly

Heather - You are the sexiest bowler I know. - Kelly

Katl - You know that I am only using your brother to get to you. - Kelly

Joani - You are my right hand woman and I love you! - Kelly

To the Sunshine in my life (even though you wear all black) - 93% doesn't mean anything. Vivian said he is my soulmate, not yours. So, BACK OFF! Love always, your lesbian, younger, and fellow Liz-loving sister. P.S. I still think that I look older.

Kintz - You are the sexiest woman alive, my crime-fighting partner (in blue and silver), a fellow angel, and the only girl that I crawl around on my hands and knees with. I'm glad that we both ended relationships at the same time and became friends because of it. I'll always be your intern baby because "It's all good."

Greggle - I'll see you tomorrow at work, baby. - Kelly

To: Mon Petit Chou "This year we actually get to spend the day together. I can't wait! Happy second Valentine's Day! Je t'aime." Samantha

To: GOD It's all about LOVE MAN! From Joyce

To: All students - Home is where the heart is. Support MI CASA Bill - From Hoosier A.D.A.P.T

Z-Chi's - I love you girls. Happy Valentine's Day - Carmen

Ekoma, David A'Koba - See na, make una no say dat I no write una. I jus wan wish una betta betta Valentine's Day. Beau coup love wan tin, tin moi - Amarachi

Hansen Harper - You are the sun that shines in my life. You are the moon that dry the tears I cry at night. I love you so much. Boo. Forever & Always - Brea Gates

Heather & Jennifer Kinley - Roses are Red, Violets are blue, your voices, talent, and friendliness is what attracts me to you! Love Always, Stephen

Vlado Trpeski - Rose are red, violets are blue, I saw a great picture of you. Enough with all this talk about flowers. If you want to meet me - think baby shower. - Anonymous

Mary Beth O'Connor - How Do I love you, let me count the ways, You have me walking around in a haze. They don't let you write what I have to say in this small space! I love you, everyday! - ASA

Andrew - You're my beginning, my end, my everything. I love you - Raven

Sherecka - I thank God so much that he sent you to my life. You are such a good friend, and so understanding, that I want to be all that I can be in your life. May this Valentine's Day be one of many to where I can gaze into you optical oceans. - Rashon

Bruce - Who loves ya Baby? Peaches Does!! - Brandi

Mariel - Your love means more to me than any candy or gift. So on this day I send you my soft kisses and tender hugs. You are the sweetest man I know. - Tiffany

Hamon - I love you like a younger brother - Bubbles

Jon - Love? - GA

To all my Chronicle girls: you are all wonderful, even though I think most people suck. Love you all. P.S., cheap, Sean really loves me more. He told me so. Love, h.

Bruce - Happy First Valentine's Day! I love you sweetie? - Brandi

Lady Lakers B-Ball team - Hey thanks for a great season & let's spend Spring Break in Jackson, Tenn.!! - J.B.

Angie - Hey, thanks for being in my life, I love you & I hope our love will conquer All!!! - Always - J.B.

Kathy - Hey, enjoy the Day. With love & thanks for being my friend - Z.B.

Caitlyn - Happy *Valentin's Day. I Love* You Sweetie. All my Love - Mommy

My Baby - I miss you every day! I love you every minute of my life. You're everything to me. I'll always love you forever! XOXOXO - Your Petro

Jamal - I love you forever and always - Vetta

Mike - Thanks for everything ???? F/F - Michelle\

Mom (Lenora) - I love you! Thanks for everything and may God continue to bless you! - Shanetha

My sisters - To the beautiful ladies of Zeta Sigma Chi. Much Love, #6 - Claudia

To the cast of "Southport Blues": We have to hurry up and graduate so we can start our series.

VOTE GABRIEL CHADDOCK & KELLY CREVISTON FOR HOMECOMING KING AND QUEEN

Lady Lakers shoot Stars out of sky

With consistent work team had no trouble putting Dominican in its place.

J.B. LYLES
Sports Editor

The PUC Lady Lakers (19-4, 5-0 CCAC) are tearing through the Chicagoland Collegiate Athletic Conference like children ripping open their Christmas presents and throwing the wrapping paper on the ground.

The Dominican Lady Stars (5-14, 1-4) were their latest victim, as the Lakers extend their winning streak to 14, with a 64-37 victory.

The Stars never had a chance as the Lady Lakers applied some defensive pressure from the start. The Lady Lakers forced 16 turnovers on Dominican which led to 14 points.

What made it worse for the Lady Stars was, they only shot 20 percent from the field while Purdue Calumet shot 39 percent.

"We came out with focus on fundamentals," said head coach Gary Hayes. "We needed to play fundamentals for every game. Our defense was the best so far. We got a little anxious in the first half, but we calmed down in the second half and we held Dominican to only 37 points which is our seasons best."

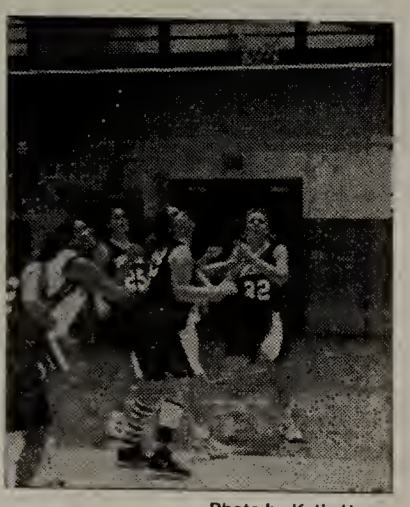

Photo by Katie Hayes

The Lady Stars gather under the basket waiting for a rebound. The Lady Lakers won the game 64-37.

No player from Dominican scored more than six points, while the Lady Lakers had two players in double digits.

Brea Gates led all scores with 16 points while adding five rebounds, two assists and a steal. Rita Harper added 13 points, seven rebounds and two steals. Jennifer Cain almost had another double-double scoring nine points grabbing a game high 13 boards in addition to two steals and a blocked shot. Amanda Stutler scored seven points, grabbed four boards and stuffed Dominican's Cheryl Leugoud a shot.

> **"We needed to play fundamentals for every game. Our defense was the best so far."**
> Gary Hayes,
> Lady Lakers
> Head Coach

The Lady Lakers have now won 24 straight games at home as the playoffs inch closer. The Lady Lakers will see the Stars for the final regular season conference game on Feb. 23.

In the meantime, the Lady Lakers will host the Lady Tigers from Olivet Nazarene University on Tuesday. They'll head down to Brown Middle School in South Bend, Ind. on Tuesday, Feb. 16, for the biggest regular game of the year as they face the Lady Titans of IU-South Bend.

Shorter roster contributes to Lakers' fall

MICHAEL R. RODENAS
Sports Writer

Purdue Cal Head Coach Larry Liddle has to feel like a man, who after receiving a promotion to Captain, gets assigned the Exxon Valdez.

Liddle and the television cameras of WYIN Channel 56 witnessed a Laker squad riddled with roster replacements lose to the visiting St. Xavier Cougars 84-68 on Wednesday night.

Academics have caused a revolving door in the PUC locker room, as it has claimed the likes of Laker starters Robert Battle, Jamie Laster, Tom Cuozzo and Travis Schmidt. Andy Berger, Trent Hart, Charles Riley and Ron Heflin have also exited stage left.

"The guys that started for us tonight have never even practiced together as a unit. We've got three guys on the squad right now that have never even played college basketball before...and one guy who just spent the last three years digging foxholes for the Marine Corps," Liddle said, referring to newcomer Martell Turner.

To add to the Laker woes, senior Captain Eric Culp, who has provided direction and leadership for his teammates this year, is only able to practice with the squad on Fridays because of his senior pre-med courses that are only offered as evening courses.

Liddle, though, remained philosophical in spite of the wholesale changes going on around him.

> **"We're playing hard, but we have a lot of new teammates. It looks like we'll just have to start over again."**
> Damon Evans,
> Junior Guard for the
> Purdue Lakers

"This is a real struggle for us right now. We have a lot of new faces. We'll just have to go through this learning process again... for the third time this season."

Lakers 68

St. Xavier 84

The Cougars jumped out to a first half lead that they never relinquished, and coasted to a 44-30 half-time advantage.

The Lakers played with a lot of heart after the intermission, but the slow start proved too much to overcome, as SXU triumphed with a solid 84-68 victory.

Not all was lost in the outcome though, as four Laker players scored in double figures, lead by Jamie Sifford's 18 points on eight of thirteen shooting from the field.

Brian Anton stepped up to score 13 points and lead PUC with three assists. Damon Evans tallied 14 points, while again leading the team with 10 rebounds. Eric Culp tossed in 11 while also contributing nine boards, with five coming on the offensive end.

"Sifford and Anton played very well for us tonight. They really stepped up their games," said Liddle, showing no signs of pushing the panic button after the defeat.

Junior guard Damon Evans has been the marathon man for the Lakers this year, and was again on Wednesday night as he saw nearly 35 minutes of playing time against St. Xavier.

Afterwards, an affable and smiling Evans said, "We're playing hard, but we have a lot of new teammates. It looks like we'll just have to start over again."

The Lakers (8-18, 2-4) visit the Illinois Institute of Technology on Wednesday, February 17th.

Fast Break

A brief look at PUC sports

LADY LAKERS CLIP SCARLET HAWKS' WINGS

The PUC Lady Lakers (18-4, 4-0) continue their domination in the Chicagoland Collegiate Athletic Conference by defeating the Illinois Tech Lady Scarlet Hawks, (5-11, 1-4) 74-60.

Brea Gates and Renee Boryla led the team in scoring with 15 points each. Gates added to her point total three steals and two assists while grabbing five rebounds. Boryla shot 4-9 from the three point line. Rita Harper added 11 points, five rebounds and three assists.

The biggest scoring surprise was freshman Laura Cain. She posted her first double-double scoring 10 points and 11 rebounds.

The Lady Lakers will play the Lady Scarlet Hawks at home on Saturday, Feb. 20.

TIGERS VICIOUSLY ATTACK LAKERS

After an upset loss to Illinois Tech, Olivet Nazarene Tigers (16-7, 4-2 CCAC) decided to take it out on the PUC Lakers, (9-16, 2-3) by winning 82-68.

The Lakers had their chances against the Tigers, leading at the half, 41-37.

The Lakers let down in the last ten minutes, as the Tigers went on a 15-1 run that the Lakers couldn't recover.

Jamie Sifford led the Lakers with 18 points, while Bob Delano and Rob Ostapchuk scored in double digits with 11.

The Lakers will get a chance to redeem themselves as Olivet comes to the PER Building on Feb. 23.

LADY LAKERS RANKED AMONG BEST

The National Association of Intercollegiate Athletics (NAIA) ranked the Lady Lakers fourth in the nation on defense. The Lady Lakers give up an average of 54 points per game. The number one defensive average is 49.79 pts/gm.

We would also like to congratulate the Lady Lakers for being ranked twenty-sixth in the national rankings.

The Lady Lakers are still the only team in conference with a national ranking.

Congratulations, Lady Lakers and keep up the good work.

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The week ahead for PUC sports

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- Women's Basketball-CCAC Conference Game vs. Olivet Nazerene LADY TIGERS Game Time: 7 p.m.

Wednesday-10
- Men's Basketball-CCAC Conference Game vs. IU-South Bend TITANS @ Brown Middle School- South Bend, IN Game Time: 6 p.m.

Saturday-13
- Men's Basketball-CCAC Conference Game HOMECOMING vs. St. Francis SAINTS Game Time: 7 p.m. Game followed by dance at Alumni Hall

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